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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, February, 15, 1896.

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* See Special Advertisement. For Pretgue of Passage, and recount three curits, apply to

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, April 23, 1896.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

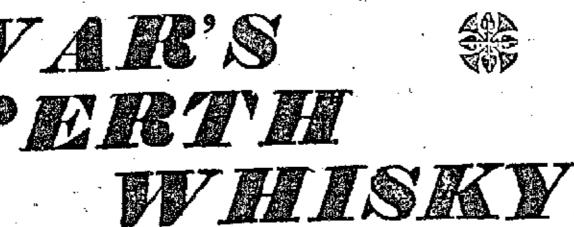
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Hongkong, April 23, 1896.

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Auctions. HONGKONG OLUB. PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE. VALUABLE SHANGHAI

COTTAGE PIANO, &c. DAY, 29th Instant, at 4 p.m. TATHE Undersigned has received instruc-I tions to Sell by Public Auction, on By Order, FRIDAY.

Hongkong, April 20, 1896. the 24th April, 1896, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at No. 2, Castle Road, the Residence COMPOSITORS WANTED. of Aug. Edler, Esq.,-

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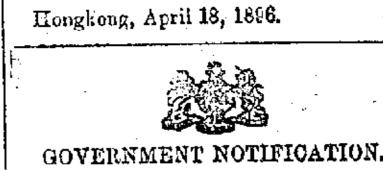
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GEO, P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.



HE following Particulars and Cond tions of SALE of CROWN LAND by Public Auction, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 27th day of April, 1896, at 4 p.m., are published for general

No. 140.

By Command, J. II. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Hongkong, 11th April, 1896. Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on

MONDAY, the 27th day of April, 1896, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Ex-cellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Yaumati, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years. Particulars of the Lot.

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OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES LIMITED.

A N ISSUE of B SHARES is offered to A the Registered Shareholders of the above Company in the proportion of one B Share for every Share they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on THURS-DAY, the 23rd Inst., will be entitled to an allotment of one B Share for every Share, whether A or B, registered in his name. all applications must be made on forms for the purpose, which may be obtained at the HORORONG AND SHARGHAI BANKING COR-PORATION on and after the 23rd Inst., and must be filled up and lodged with that Bauk on or before THURSDAY, the 7th May next, tegether with a sum of One Dollar for every Share applied for an a first which must be forwarded to the Company
in exchange for Serip. No further call will be payable in respect of these Shares without at least two months' notice. The SHARE REGISTER will CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 23rd Inst., to THURSDAY, the 7th day of May

period no Transfer of Shares can be Ro-John D. Humphreys & Son. General Managers. Hongkong, April 13, 1846.

following, both days inclusive, during which

Intimations.

THE Tenth Yearly General MEETING I of the MEMBERS of the CLUB will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, on WEDNES-

C. H. GRACE,

CITEADY EMPLOYMENT will be given

'UHINA MAIL' OFFICE, Wyndham Street.

BLACK and WHITE JAPANESE POODLE DOG, LOST or STOLEN from Western Street, West Point, on the 13th Inst. Finder will be REWARDED on returning the same to No. 7, Police

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. A N Interim BONUS of TWENTY PER year 1895 has been declared.

By Order of the Board, N. J. EDE. Secretary.

Hougkong, April 20, 1896.

WARRANTS will be issued on the 30th

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CHIRBAGE BOARDS.

Notices to Consignees.

POKER CHIPS and CARD COUNTERS.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE S.S. Erate, Capt. T. OSTERMANN, having arrived from the above Ports. Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. To-DAY. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongcong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld., and stored at Consignous' risk and expense. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining undelivered after the 24th Inst. will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th Inst., at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Hongkong, April 18, 1896 NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP

SIEMSSEN & Co.,

COMPANY, notice to consignees.

STEAMSHIP VICTORIA,

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignoss of Cargo are bereby requested to soud in their Bills of Lading for counters. signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Vessel will be landed and stored at Con-

signess risk and expense. DODWELL CARLILL & Co.

Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. Chelydra having arrived from the above Ports Cousigness of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-Ing on board after 4 p.m. of the 21st Inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 20, 1896.

THE OHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

ITHE Company's Steamship Hyson having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong-KONG & KOWLOON WHARP & GODOWN Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowus, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 27th Instant, or they will not be recognized.

are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 25th Instant, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and 1857 any Goods remaining in the Godowns after

the 23rd Instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by | years. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1896.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER RAVENNA.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Gopowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Goods not cleared by the 25th Inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. m May Case wintever.

before 4 p.m. To DAY.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same given to the Undersigned, on or before the 27th Instant, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent, Hongkong, April 18, 1896.

Intimations.

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To-day's Advertisements.

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Destination -	Vessels.	Agents.	Date o Leavin
Amoy and Tamsui	Cosmopolit (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	April 24, at noon.
		Butterfield at Swire .	
Australian Ports	Chingta (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 4, at 3 p.m.
		Norddoutscher Lloyd	
		Carlowitz & Co	
		P. & O. S. N. Co A.	
		Holliday, Wise & Co	
		Buttorfield & Swire	
London, v. Suez Cana	Palamed (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 2.
London & Ports of Call	Cekin (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co	May 7, at noon.
		P. & O. S. N. Co	
		Arnhold, Karberg &Co.	
Manila	Sungkiang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 27, at 4 p.m.
Marsodlos, v. Saigor	Yarra (8)	Messagories Maritimes	April 29, at 10 a.m.
Mar'les & L'don, v.S. C'l	Glenshiet (B)	Jardine, Matheson&Co	Agout May 1.
Nagasaki and Kobé	Sikh (a)	Dodwoli, Carlill & Co	April 27, at noon.
		Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	
		Siemssen & Co	
S. Francisco, v. Japa	Belgie (a)	0. & 0. 8. S. O	April 20, at noon.
		Pacific Mail S. S. C.	
		Shewan & Co	
		Butterfield & Swire	
		Butterfield & Swire	
		P. & O. S. N. Co	
Shanghai	Mirzapore (8)	P. & O. S. N. Co	About May 3.
S'pore Havre & H'bur	Nioba (B)	Siomsson & Co	April 25, daylight,
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Darius ()	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	April 26, daylight,
S'pore, Penang & C'tt.	Cholydri(s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co Jardine, Matheson&Co	April 28, at 3 p.m.
Swatow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	April 16. daylight.
Tecoma (Wash.), &:	Victoria (8)	Nor. Phys. A 45, Co.	May 1, as noon.
Tientsin	Nerchang (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co. Nor. Phis S. A. G. Co. Butterfield & Swir	April 30.
Vancouver (B C) at	Empress o India (a	Convidence Pilla 1. Co.	April 29, at noon,
Yokohama and Kobé	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfi. ld & Swire	April 24, at noon.
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THE WELL-KNOWN PUBLIC . HOUSE, THE GERMAN TAVER All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods and BOARDING HOUSE, with FURNI. Praya East. TURE, FIXTURES, SHOCK-IN-TRADE, LICENSE, and GOODWILL.

The same has been Established since The present Proprietor, who wises to retire, has held the above Promises for 39

Auctioncer.

For further Particulars, apply to GEO. P. LAMMERT,

Hongkong, April 23, 1896. PUBLIC AUCTION

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. I THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY the 29th April, 1896, commoncing at 2.45 CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above- p.m., at Bay View, Kowloon (facing Lycenamed Vessel are hereby informed moon), the Residence of F. WALKER, Esq., -

THE WHOLE OF HIS HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising :-

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> Shippors are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Com. Stewart, James Binks, Miss Miles, Mrs F. pany's Bills of Lading.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Offico, Hongkoug, April 23, 1886,

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 22 :--Deuteros, German str., 1,198, P. Lassen, Saigon April 18, Rice and General. - Siems. arn & Co.

April 23 :--Foochow, British steamer, from Canton. Doris, German steamer, from Canton.

Amarapoura, British steamer, 1,630, Cameron, Singapore April 16, General,-Pingsuey, British ateamer, 1,982, D

Davies, Shanghai April 20, General.-HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

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Immortalité, British cruiser, for Formoss. Terona, for Nagasaki and Yokohama. Peshawur, for Europe, &c. Kwongsung, for Canton. Pelyang, for Canton. Toonan, for Centon. Alderley, for Bangkok. Holstein, for Saigon. Anjer Head, for Swatow. Namoa, for Swatow. Skarpsno, for Port Wallut. Satsuma Maru, for Shanghai. Devawongse, for Swatow. Amigo, for Saigon. Fushun, for Shanghai.

Foochow, for Tameni. CLEARED. Michael Jebsen, for Nagasaki. Federation, for Swatow. Doris, for Chefoo. Chusan, for Saigon.

Hai-mun, for Amoy.

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Clara, for Foochaw. PASSENGERS. ABRIVED. Per Deuteros, from Saigon, 17 Chinese.

Departed. Per Peshawur, from Hougkong : for Singapore, Mr E. C. Ellis; for Bombay, Mr A. D. Vania; for London, Mr H. Pinckney, Liout. G. C. Quayle, R.N., Major D. I. Mr and Mrs A. Harvie, Mr G. Gordon, Inspector D. Bremner, Mrs Bremner and 2 children, and Mr R. E. Bennett. From Parcels will be received at this Office | Yokohama; for London, Mr Neville Noakes. From Shanghai: for Singapore, Mr. D. Soutar, and Miss Mary Moss; for Bomboy, contents and value of all packages are Mr M. M. Abdul Hussein; for Orleutta, Mr A. S. Spitzel ; for London, Mrs Morgan and 2 children, Mr A. W. Burkhill, Mrs and Miss Stevens and 5 children, Megara B. in the Colony or from our authorized J. Abbott and child, Mr and Mrs J. R.

Per Verona, from Hongkong : for Yokehama, Mesers F. S. Gay and T. B. Blow : for Kobo, Mr and Mrs A. B. Clerk, Miss A. Browniow, Messre R. H. W. Fraser, T. Cumming, Mr and Mrs F. Keats, Dr and 857 Mrs R. D. Rudolf, Mosers G. S. Harris and

L. E. Bennett; for Nagasaki, Miss Oshika Miss Ottide, Master Yamaguchi, Mr L. de Niceville, and Mester Matsumoto. Yokohama: from London, Messrs Kuhots, W. B Stewart, Pilkington, G. F. Watson, W. S. Jackson, Arthur Corry; from Brindisi, Sir Andrew Noble, Mr J. H. B. Noble, Miss Noble, Mr P. Watts, and Miss Watts from Bombay, Major-General and Mrs B. H. Blundell, Lieut. W. C. Symon, Mrs W. Cox, and Captain J. J. Allan; from Penang. Coptain and Mrs Pritchard, 2 children and nurse. For Kobe : from London, Mr. Nutter; from Bombay, Mr Morita. For Nogasaki : from London, Mr H. E. Charlesworth; from Singspore, Mrs Yuano, and

Mrs Oskaru. Per Alderley, for Bangkok, 12 Chineso. Per Holstein, for Saizon, 200 Chinese. Per Namoa, for Swatow, Mr H. E. Fulford : for Amoy, Mr G. E. Goodwin ; for Foochow, Mr and Miss Crosby, Mr and Mrs Graham, Messra F. W. Staploton and Gittins:

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To DEPART. Per Doris, for Chefoo, 1 Chinese, Per Chusan, for Saigon, 100 Chinese. Per Clara, for Foodbow, 12 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British accamer, Pingsney reports: Had moderate to strong mousoon and fine woather.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For FOOCHOW.--Per Clara, as 9.30 a.m., on Friday, the 24th April.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE .- " Per Taiman, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 24th April. For SHANGHAL .-

the 24th April. For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS,

TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYD-NEY & MELBOURNE.— Per Changsha, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, the 24th April.

Per Argyll, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 24th April, a-For SINGAPORE. Per Niebe, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the

24th April Per Gleashiel, at 3,30 p.m., on Friday, the Ist May, For SINGAPORE & CALCUTTA,-

Per Durius, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 25th April. For SINGAPORE & BANGKOK .-Per Chow Tai, at 1.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 25th April. MEMOS, FOR TO-MORROW

Shipping. Noon. - Cosmopolit leaves for Amoy, &c. Noon.-Taiyuan leaves for Y'hama, & .. 3 p.m.—Hangchow leaves for Shanghai. 3 p.m.—Changsha leaves for Australian

Ports. 5 p.m -Pingsney leaves for London, &c. Auctions.

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At Sandakan, on the 21st April, 1896, George L. Shusten, aged 22 years, second son of the late J. F. Shuster, of Hongkong,

ZA The publication of this issue commenced at 7.05 p.m.

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HONGKONS, THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1896.

[COMMUNICATED.] The report of the Imperial Maritime Customs of China for 1895 reveals an exceedingly carious and instructive fact, that while the annual value of the trade

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increased since 1888, the revenue col lected thereon is actually less. The figures are :--Value of trade, 1889, 207 million taels; 1890, 214 million; '91, 234 mil.; '92, 237 mil.; '93, 267 mil.; '94, 290 m.;

'95, 314 million tacls, or over 50 per cent. increase. Customs Revenue, 1889, 21 million taels; '90, 21; '91, 23; '92, 22; '93, 21 '91, 22; '95, 21. The full figures are, for 1889, the year when the ports of Langeliuw and Mengtse were opened 21,823,762 taels, and for 1895,

21,385,389. When these figures are reduced to gold currency, at the respective rates of each year, they amount to an approximate equality in the trade and a decline of about fifty per cent in the Customs Revenue, that is to say in the value of the security on which China borrows. How it comes about would take a great Per Hangehow, at 2.10 p.m., on Friday, deal of tedious explanation, but there is no decention in the evidence that Chinese Government Bondholders have some reason to feel dissatisfied. Taking statistics for a longer period, namely from 1883, a similar result appears; in that year the total value of the trade which passed through the hands of the I. M. Customs was 143,765,395 taels, or in round figures 40 million pounds sterling; now the silver value of the trade is more than double, though the gold value is roughly a little over fifty millions sterling, or say twenty-five per cent higher. On the other hand, the revenue derived therefrom was thirteen years ago 13,286,757 taels, say 3½ million pounds sterling, against only 21,385,389 taels now, say nearly the

same figure in gold, 34 million, really a fraction less. This anomaly has no doubt a lucid and satisfactory explanation, but all the explaining in the world will not fill up the Exchequer as it would be filled in any country where expansion of trade meant a corresponding expansion of the revenue depending on it. A few hundreds or thousands more or less might be passed over without remark, but a discrepancy of this magnitude merits the earnest attention of all who are directly or indirectly interested in the regeneration of China in any of its Toponous aspects -- and the passed of ot those interests includes practically the whole civilised word, for the awakening of one-fourth of the world's population from a state of inertia to a state of activity means a tremendous upheaval and this awakening depends on the finances of China, at present embodied solely in the Imperial Maritime Customs. For money is the sinews of peace no less than of war, and no country can be regenerated without first developing and organising its revenue; and in China the only hope of doing so through the Maritime Customs. then, the Customs Revenue stands still or goes backward, the regeneration of China is only brought nearer in the sense that some sort of collapse, possibly partition and absorption by other nations, is rendered the more inevitable The day may be yet far distant-it may be decades shead, or it may so long deferred as to allow remedial measures to be adopted in time; or it may come like the late war with Japan. House, bought direct at first hand, im. at a moment when none expected and when in fact all the authorities were confident that such operations were absolutely impossible. It is best to be on the look-out, and to prepare for the opportunities which may come to the

Undoubtedly there is a persistent dishonesty about the Chinese, even their best attempts at reform. Instead of carefully tending and anxiously straining every effort to develop and protect their one reliable source of national revenue, the officials devote their lives to the task of baffling and outwitting the Customs Administration at every end and turn, honestly if no other way is easier, but by hook or by crook they constantly strive to the same end Nothing can be said against the dis-Dinner Wines of very superior Vin- placement of imported goods in competition, the fair substitution of native goods; if China could become entirely self-dependent commercially, so much lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the better for her, though it be the genuine product of the juice of the | the worse for the bond-holders who look grape and are not artificially made to the Custome as security. That is the process now at work in the opium trade, and a beginning has been made in-the cotton trade also, microscopic it is true, but with all the elements of unlimited expansion. Coal, iron, steel, machinery, cereals, kerèsene, manufactured goods of all kinds, constitute the imports of China which need not be and some day THISKY .- All our Whisky is of excellent | will not be imported, at any rate in such large quantities as at present, and nobody can legitimately complain, though many will be grievously injured, manufacturers abroad, shipowners, and all who live on the import trade. the day is very far distant. Meantime, however, there are numerous other influences at work, less commendable and more immediately serious. The less in revenue hoted above has not been caused solely by the fact that native opium figures for just twice what it did last year, or that China is already carrying the war into the enemy's country to the extent of exporting her opium to Singapore and towards India, nor the fact that Opium Likin revenue is nearly a million taels less than in 1894. The local officials are gradually evolving a

best-prepared.

of China under the Customs has steadily the general body of Chinese officials.

eradicated in a day or a year, nor pro- he carries with him a gold-mounted bably in a single generation. Until coffin costing six thousand taels, symthey are eradicated, foreign intruders bolising at once the old man's genuine must always experience the hostility of unalterable conservatism and his Besides this legitimate objection to foreign innovations, there is the innate at work on the spot, paving the way for tendency of the Chinaman to cheat; future trade to the exclusion of rivals and that will be even more difficult to waiting in distant lands for the 'openremove, for it means either the complete | ing of China,' in the belief apparently alteration of the people's character (a that it will be a single act proclaiming matter of a hundred years at least) or its own accomplishment to all the world, the entire substitution of white men for | instead of a gradual process only per-Chinese in all responsible positions, captible to those who work at it for similar to the dispossession of native in | years. Little by little it is becoming favour of foreign Maritime Customs clearer to foreign residents in China employees. This is probably what will what articles of commerce are growing come some day, but it is an infinitely | too dear or too cheap for import or exgreater task to establish a foreign 1n- port as silver goes down. Prices in land Revenue service than a Maritime | silver taels mean nowadays only half as one. It is likely that the first move much in gold dollars or sovereigns as will be made by the bond-holders, pre- they did ten years ago, while they sent or future, and the political signi- mean still what they used to mean in ficance of the problem is at once visible france, roubles, marks and yen. Conin a broad sense. It is impossible that | versely, prices of goods bought abroad the Chinese can reform themselves. Since | are twice as high as they used to be for the war, for example, there have been British and American goods, but just numerous attempts to profit by the as cheap to the Chinese purchaser as disagter and make progress with various they used to be in French, German. schemes for the advancement of the Belgian, Russian and Japanese markets. country, especially in the direction of The most glaring instances of this are facilitating communications by means of in the set-back to Indian opium as railways; but even the most laudable against China-grown when the attempt reforms are tainted with the same trea- was made to put rupees on a gold basis; charr incongrable from things Olducse, the steady failure of British cottons to for it now appears that the concession compete with German, French and Infor the Canton-Hankow railroad has dien on a silver rupee; the loss of trade been obtained by Hsu Taotai not for the in Chian which British and American syndicate which he was employed to re- | makers of muchinery and all manner of present but for himself, and now it is metal-work have experienced; the rise the syndicate's business to fight him. of the Japanese coal trade, and the Probably the other half of the line, from | Samatra keroseno trade, and indeed of Hankow to Pekin, will do no better. the Russian oil trade prior to the Trust It is the same with their attempts agreement. Japanese has not yet got at cotton-spinning, coal-mining and very far, on account of the siniron-working; they manage to make a gular lack of commercial (as disdisheartening muddle of everything. In tinguished from industrial) soundness. the war it was made terribly clear that | For instance, they can make as good the arsenals, the army and the navy beer as any imported into the East, at had all been run on similar lines, the same prices, but as soon as they do Finance has almost the same tale to get the trade well started they begin tell; giving the Customs as security for supplying bottles with no cork, nothing loans, and then shuffling the trade away | but a wooden disc under a tinfoil capto other channels. The recent trouble sule. They can make good and cheap with foreign merchants in Kwangtung iron safes, but they grow so careless as Province is only another incident of the to deliver the 'finished article' without same series. The Pekin Government a keyhole. It is the same in other promises that foreigners may import branches of trade; Japan cannot be goods under transit-pass to go up the relied on as yet. Not very long ago, a country after paying a lump sum at the Japanese in Hongkong undertook to port of entry, to dispense with the in- supply paper for printing at ten per cent numerable payments usually demanded below any paper of same quality imby every local official along the route; ported by any European firm and laid then the local officials say 'Very well, I down in Hongkong. On the faith of if he is a foreigner with gunboats behind | this promise, an order was given him, him we have to let him come, but as soon and it was afterwards discovered that as the goods leave his hands and pass his prices were about 20 per cent over into the hands of our own people, we those of a German paper firm and nearly shall have to see that we get our money | 50 per cent over those of an English just the same.' So of course the native firm in India; but he declined to come dealers cannot afford to buy, and the down according to promise. foreign-merchant cannot trade. In this | Incidents of this sort, exceedingly case the merchant, determined to bring frequent, go to show that the Jupanese matters to a crisis, stayed on the spot have very much to learn in commercial and carried his negotiations through to matters and are not likely to be a serious some sort of an issue, but nobody knows | factor in the world's trade for some dewhat that is yet. It is popularly be- cades yet. But their natural advantages lieved that the Pekin Government, find. | are unquestionable. Not only have they ing itself between the foreign devil on | cheap labour, but their ourrency is cheap the one hand, with his treatics and gun- and gives them a tremendous lift where bonts, and a deep and stormy sea of they are not handicapped by having to troubles on the other hand if the man- purchase material or machinery abroad, darins were robbed of their daily bread, Clothing, especially white shirts, they solved the problem by the foolish me. already export at prices which readily thod of buying out the merchant, give them as much of other people's What they should do of course is to trade as they can take, except in the compensate the mandaria out of the very hotbeds of the sweating systems of transit-pass fee, but that is too straight- the West. Numerous other articles of forward to be pleasant to the Chinese. | commerce are showing signs of shifting And while China thus continues slum. | their centres from the West to the East. bering and blundering clumsily, the as soon as the Japanese are sufficiently Powers of Europe are taking an increas- far advanced in the ethics of commerce ingly lively interest in her and doing to profit fully, by their natural advan-

for her (but chiefly for their own sales) | tages, whenever that may be,

ports through other channels, leaving to | while the French and Russians now think the Maritime Customs only the less re- lit necessary to apply for new settlements. munerative items. Of their dishones- Some of these new sites turn out to be ties and trickeries there is no end, not old British settlements abandoned as even a diminution but rather an increase uscless. Britain, less enterprising poas the slow intellect of the mandaria litically than commercially, is waking awakes to new duplicities. Heavy up to the march of events in the East duties on oil carried to Cautoa in foreign | and has two commissions in progress, steamers transfer the trade to native with no such flourish of trumpets as in oils, and to foreign oils carried in native the French case, but with much more craft, while in Fokien Province it is on likelihood of practical results to her own record that foreign oil was absolutely benefit at the expense of her rivals in prohibited four years ago under the Europe and the United States, where by most severe penalties. The reason is the way there seems to be no corresthat the officials of China, the whole ponding boom in Oriental offairs; Ameri-Civil Service of the Empire, instead of can merchants would do well to see receiving appointments at fixed salaries to it that they are not left behind in the adequate for ordinary needs, have for 'scramble for China' or for her trade. centuries had merely nominal salaries, American cotton goods have steadily and have been trained through many displaced Lancashire, and Lancashire generations to make a living as best is moving heaven and earth, to find a they can by an elastic system of extort- remedy. If the question of steamship ing from everybody just as much as the freights can be settled satisfactorily, victim has. Foreigners intruding in say the English manufacturers, they can the trade with their notions of uniform drive out the Americans again. Amerifixed tariffs are simply an incongruity can flour, too, has gained a strong hold v not to be tolerated. If trade is taken on China, but Australia is trying hard from the mandarin's control and put to cut in, and has had commissioners under the control of Sir Robert Hart, the investigating. German tools are dismandarin simply loses his means of placing American as well as Britishlivelihood to that extent-an income to | not merely getting all the new trade, which he is in fairness entitled until but taking away the old. German. he can be bought out, for it is what French and Russian financiers are bidhe has for ages past been led to rely | ding for the banking business of China, on, to look to as his recompense for the | and if they do not succeed immediately years of study by which he entered the they are at least making a display of Civil Service. The system is incredibly activity which is worth the close attenstupid and pernicious, but it is the basis | tion of British and American business of the mandarin's life, and how can the men. Much is being made of Li Hung poor man be expected to help in its de- Chang's tour abroad, but more is to be molition? These irregular extortions done in a less estentations way in China are as much a recognised factor of Chi- itself. His tour will of course have its nese life astfixed stipends are in civi- offect, but it is an interesting and to lised countries, and they cannot be some extent significant commentary that

> senility. Meantime there are many men hard

what she should be doing. France and In face of this prospect, it is as well Russia, both active and daring political- for the Caucasian that prompt attention ly but scarcely able to look after them. is being given to the regenerated Japan selves commercially, much less to deve- and the hitherto unregenerate China by lop China, are making strenuous efforts some of the European nations: and it to strengthen their hold, both politically would be better if Britsin and the and commercially, on the somnolent United States would bestir themselves State; the French Commercial Mission as energetically as France, Germany, has finished its journeyings and is now and Russia. British influence is never engaged on its report as to the best exercised to the exclusion of other method of drawing the trade of the in- nations, as is especially French, by terior to Tonkin routes instead of Hong. means of prohibitive tariffs and represkoug and Shangbai, to French steam. sive measures of all sorts. While Briships instead of British, German and tish diplomacy strives for the opening of American, to the markets behind Mary China's waterways to all comers, giving scilles instead of London, Liverpool, a fair field and no favour, France is Hamburg, and San Francisco. The straining every norve to compel trade Germans on their own behalf are seek. through exclusively French channels, ing for now treaty ports and new foreign and Russia forces new concessions on settlements, and the Japanese, not much the Manchurian-Siberian frontier, and Younger than the Germans as a com. Japan studies how to drive out foreign mercial nation, have done the same, competition in her newly-acquired terri-

enough so far, but it is gradually and as will be seen from the following editorial H.M.S. 'CENTURION' v. HONGKONG POLICE. surely killing British manufactures in paragraph published a few days ago :markets where silver-using competitors Lady Mitchell holds a recoption this after- | this afternoon, and resulted in a cubstanenter. It is in a measure the silver question that is responsible for the high rates of freight on British railrouds and also be at Government House, and some British steamships, inasmuch as they riders will probably fall off at the jumps pay nowadays on the average poor divi- there. The Santa Cecilia Band will play | unable to take part in the match, and the dends on gold capital, since gold has the while. become so much dearer. The Japanese can almost halve the British rates on Following is the handicap for a race for a the Japan-Bombay and Japan-London lines, and still pay themselves. It is hard on the British lines to reduce their rates below paying level in gold; but if they put their capital in silver at the rate of the day when it was subscribed, | Mark Boat off Green Island (starboard), and take their profits now in silver at Stonscutters' (starboard), Cosmopolitan A.B. Edwards current exchange, they would have less to complain of and would be able to resist the inroads of rivals. If nothing of this kind be done. British trade will find itself still steadily losing ground in future as it undoubtedly is now.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER).

OUTWARD BOUND : - Olympia, March 13; Breconshire, Herther, Manila, 31; Moyune, Borneo, Pathan, Myrmidon, Aggi, Bel. lona, St. Ronald, April 7; Diomed, Melbourne, Hector, Oceana, 10; Glenogle, Karlsruhe, 14; Agamemnon, Ixion, Japan, Mazagon, 17.

HOMEWARD BOUND :- Fallodon Hall, Lennox, March 3; Aden, 6; Achilles, 10; Orestes, 13; Borneo, Palawan, Pyrthus, Kaisow, 17; Merionethabire, Ningohow, 27; Prinz Heinrich, Port Adelaide, 31 Glenfruin, April 14.

- The P. M. s. s. Peru, with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Nagasaki on Tuesday, the 21st inst., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 24th inst.

The P. M. s. s. City of Rio de Janeiro, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 16th instant. The Empress of Japan left Vancouver for

Hongkong on the 21st instant. The N. P. s. S. Strathleven left Tacoma or the 18th instant for this port, via Ja-

Stramers Expected. "The s.s. Glengarry, from Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Saturday morning, the 18th inst. The N. G. J. s. s. Letimbro left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 28th

The O. S. S. Co.'s s. s. Teucer, from Manchester and Liverpool, left Singapore here on or about the 27th inst. The P. & O. s. s. Brindisi left Bombay for this port on the 17th just.

La est Advices.

The M. M. Co.'s s. s. Natal, with the FRENCH MAIL of 27th March. left Saigon on Thursday, the 23rd inst, at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 26th

The O. & U. s.s. Coptic with mails, &c., from San Prancisco to the Sin instant, has arrived at Yokohama, and leaves for this port, via Nagasaki, on the morning of the 24th inst.

MR E. C. Ellis, solicitor, who for some years has been in Mr V. H. Deacon's Office here, left by the English mail steamer to-day for Singapore, where he is to join the firm of Messrs Drew and Napier, advocates and solicitors of that port. Mr Ellis takes with him the good wishes of many friends.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS :- At Kowloon-H. M. S. Centuriou, schooner Esmeralda. Azamor, Independent, Taichow, H.M.S. Archer, H. M. S. Wivern, Skuld, Sung Kinng, Swatow, Chelydra.

Cosmopolitan-Exe. Aberdeen-Ocampo.

YESTERDAY afternoon Inspector Bremner, who is retiring on a pension from the Police Force, was presented with a massive gold chain by the members of the force. The tendent Ocrcorm, who alluded to Mr Bremner's good qualities and wished him many peaceful years of retirement. Mrs Bremner was also presented with a handsome tea service, and the children, too, came in for appropriate presents. Mr Bremner feelingly replied and returned thanks to the whole force for the great kindness they had shown to him and his wife and family. The Inspector, who departed with the English mail to-day, was escorted down to the Police wharf by the members of the Pipe Band and many old comrades and friends.

On the eve of the introduction in the Straits Legislative Council of a Bill to fix the amount of the Military Contribution, the Straits Tintes, discussing the responsibility thrown upon the Unofficial Members, says the Colony is chiefly indifferent on the subject, It is rather sick of military contribution discussions. Our contemporary takes the opportunity of reminding its readers of the powerlessness of Crown Colonies, and counsels the termination of the dispute. 'The Colony,' it says, is only a possession of the Crown to be governed by the Imperial Ministry of the day. As a Crown Colony, it has no power to make a bargain with the Imperial Government, no power to refuse to make a bargain, and no power to keep or to break an alleged bargain. The Colony, in a word, has no salf-governing powers, and the Bill under discussion is nothing but a way of appearing is ito close a family dispute, as between a tolerant parent and a child who is a minor. It to preferable that such family jars should and as gracefully as possible; therefore, we do not agree with the people who desire to make pt Thursday a great "military contribution " field day."

BAIDUL SO DOLL

The policy has succeeded well Tur Straits Times is nothing if not skittleh,

cup presented by the Honorary Secretary of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, to be sailed on Sunday, the 26th April. Course From the Police Pier, Kowloon, round Warmat Officer Saunders ... 29 Screet. Box, R M.L.I. 30 Dock Buoy (starboard), Dinghy off Pier, (starboard) Cosmopolitan Dock Buoy (port);

HAND	ICAP.
Arrow	allows
Meteor	5 minutes
Erica	5
Princess	5
Ladybird	9 ,,
Payne,	9
Petrel	15
She	
Elfin	20
Scabreeze	90
Charmian	
	11.1.1 AM H

NECOTIATIONS are again in progress for the Interport Rifle Match. Singapore, learn from the South, has communicated with the Secretary of the Hongkong Rifle Association, but had not received a roply [owe 15.1]-7.5, 6.2, 7.5. whon our informant wrote from Singapore, If Hongkong means to regain her lost laurelashs will have to put her best team in the field, for some fine scores have been made at Singapore recently by men who are likely to be included in the Southern team. Sergeaut Shackleton, of the 5th Fusiliers, shooting the other day in a match between the Regimental Sergeants and the Remainder of the Regiment, accord 100 out of 105, made up as follows :--200 yards, 83; 500 yards, 33; 600 yards, 34. This is the first time the three figures have been secured in a match at Singapore. Two or three 99's have been made in practice there recently and at least one century. Sergt. Shackleton will be a strong acquisition to the Singapore team.

REUTER'S Telegram to-day announces the deaths of M. Jean Baptiste Loon Say and Baron Hirsch. M. Say was born in Paris. on the 21st inst., and may be expected on June 0, 1826. He was the grand-son of Jean Baptiste Say, the celebrated political economist, and following in the footsteps of his grandfather M. Say, took up the i study of political economy and entered the insurance agents. National Assembly in 1871. He became Minister of Finance in 1872, and held that office in several administrations, presiding, instant. This Packet brings replies to | in 1878, over the International Monetary letters despatched from Hongkong on Conference held in Paris. In 1880, he went to London as French Ambassador to negotiate the Treaty of Commerce, but turned to Paris a few weeks later on being elected President of the Souste. He was a strong opponent of Boulangism. A recognised authority on financial and economical subjects, he contributed largely their literature. He was elected a Member of the French Academy in 1886. Baron Hirsch, the Austrian millionaire, is known chiefly as a patron of the turf and as a benefactor of the Jews, for whom he founded a Colony in South America after the persecution in Russia and Germany. He was a personal friend of the Prince of Wales. who is reputed to have been indebted to him for monetary assistance.

ROYAL HONGKONG YAOHT CLUB. CLOSING OLUB RACE. April 19.

The course was round Stonecutters' Island, Kowloon Rock, and Channel Rocks, leaving all to starboard -13 miles.

A light Easterly breeze was blowing at the start, and Princess showed the way over the line; all had spinuakers to starboard, presentation was made by Deputy Superin- and made short tracks of the run to the west and of Stonecutters'; Erica held a slight lead, Payne kept more to the Southward than the others, but they all came together in the well-known doldrums under the lee of the island. Meteor got through into the breeze first, Erica close up, Princess | belonged to us. A friend came to me and had her wind clear, Ladybird and Payne were having a great struggle for fourth place, but were being steadily dropped by the three cracks in the long beat to wind- was insured for this year, and I replied that ward. Several short tacks were made in the I was not. I went to Sander and Co. beneighbourhood of the Kowloon Wharis, and 1 rincers at one time weathered Brica.

> Mcteor 12.35.45 Erica 12.38.20 Princess 12.39. 0 Ladybird...... 12,44.20 Payne 13.45.10 for the short reach to Kowloon Rock, Payne had possed Ladybird.

the times were :--

At the Channel Rocks the times of the leading boats were :--Melsor 1.20.28 Princess 1.23.48 Erica 1.23.53 Spinnakors were set to port for the run home, but the ebb tide had begun to run, there was little weight in the wind, and the finishing line was crossed as follows:н. и. в. Metcor 1.57.0

 E_{rica} 1.58.0 Payne 2.9.55 Ladybird 2.10.44 Princess did not finish the course. Meteor gots 10 points Ladybird . 1 point The result of the sesson's Club races .62 points?

Meteor Princess First Class. Dart Ladybird Payne Second Class. Handicap Class.

W. Robinson & Co.'s Planes are guaran. W. Robinson & Co. have 150 Planes for teed for the climate. Pianos Repaired Hiro on Monthly Payments, also Pianos between \$20 and \$30. I am one of the returned from Hire cheep,

SHOOTING MATCH.

This match was fired at the Rifle Range noon. The finish of the paper-chase will tial victory for the Centurion. Unfortunately, Constable Macdonald, holds the record over the three ranges, was Police were further handicapped by having to shoot partly with carbines and partly with rifles. Scores :-

1st Closs P. O. Watts 31 2nd Class P. O. Gordon 28 Robertson 27 P. C. Ritchie 29 Dunca a Withers 28 Majority for Centurion.....

LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT. The following ties were played off yester-

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS. Captain Eccles and Captain Ferguson (Army) bent G. Stowart and G. il. Potts (Brokers) -- 8.6, 1.6, 6.4. DOUBLE HANDICAP.

T. S. Smith and J. M. Atkinson (owe 15.1) beat C. V. Percival and C. W. Knox B' CLASS HANDICAP.

A. Donald (owe 15.2) beat M. Fredericks {owe \ 16}-1-6, 6-1, 6-3, (owe 30)-6-0, 6-1.

The following ties were played of this afternoon : — "A" CLASS HANDICAP.

A. S. Anton (owe 15.1) beat G. H. Potts (owo 15)--6-5, 6:3; R. H. Skelton (owe # 15) beat Captain

Dyson (acratch)-6-2, 2-6, 6-4. B CLASS SINGLE HANDICAP. 25D TIE. R. E. Belilins (receive + 15) beat A. H

Mancell (owe 30)—4-6, 6-2, 6-1. DOUBLE HANDICAP. S. Hanisch and R. H. Wade (receive 15) beat E. Hezeland and C. H. Gale (soratch)-6-2, 6-1.

THE FIRE, AT PRAYA WEST. INQUIRY AT THE MAGISTRACY.

This afternoon Capt. Hastings opened the enquiry into the fire which occurred at 48 Praya West on the morning of Wednesday, Mr J. Hastings (of Mr V. H. Deacon's

office) appeared on behalf of the occupants of the house ; Mr H. L. Dennys on behalf of the Insurance agents, Messrs Sander and Co.

and Messrs Bradley and Co. The proceedings were watched by several Teang Tee Chap stated-I am an account-

ant. I was at the shop on the night of the 21st inst. I am a partner in the shop, there are five partners. The others are Lau Wei Chu, Wong Nang Lit, Lau Sung Han, Ng Man Cha. I went to bed at 10 p.m. on the ground floor-on the counter in the front o the shop. The acting cook was there Im Wa. Thorn are them A-ree, and chive overswell, two on the ground floor and one on the second flior. Nobody slept on the first floor. Lau Wei Chu slept on the second floor. Tsang Chak Wei, shop coolie, and Lau Hing, rice siever, slept in a cockloft on the ground floor. In all four men slept on the ground floor. and one on the second floor. When I went to bed at 10 o'clook the other men had already gone to bed. Lau Wei Ohn went upstairs at 10 o'clock-we were the last two up. The Hon. F. A. Cooper, Director of Public together. I slept until one o'clock next morning, when I was awakened by a noise. I opened my eyes and saw flames and smoke, I got up, and went to the foot of the stairease leading to the first floor, and saw fire on

the first floor. His Worship-He says when he opened his eves he saw fire—when he was on the top of the counter. How did he see the flames i The smoke and fire was at the head of the staircase on the first floor. I did not dare to go upstairs. It was all bright. I called out to my fokis; then I gathered up my account books, opened the door and went out into the street and called out 'fire.' I do not know if the whole thing is a total loss. The goods were insured with Messrs Sander and Co. for \$2000, the clothing and boxes for \$1000, and furniture \$500. We are not insured with any other company. The goods, &c., have been insured since 26th March, 1896-not

How long have you been in that shop?-Where were you incured before !- I have forgotten where it was insured last year; but on the year previous it was insured with Messra Schellhass and Co. The whole house said 'you had better insure your shop. The premium is to be raised in a few days and you had better insure now.' He asked if I cause it was cheaper. I have been in this shop three years, not two. Rice was stored Crossing the starting line the reverse way | in the first floor; we also dealt in firewood. It was exposed for sale on the ground floor. The second floor used to be occupied by Woog Nang Lit, but he went away on the 13th just. The second floor was also fitted up to accommodate passengers from San Francisco. The cockloft on the second floor is also used for the same purpose. If there Sheets were checked at Hunghom Docks are a lot of passengers the floor is also used, I did not notice if Lan Wei Chu had a light, was rounded in the same order except that if there was a light on the first floor then, There was light on the staircase before went to bed, and a lamp was kept in the kitchen stand upon the range. It was the cook's duty to put out the lights. The cook did not go to bed before Lan Wei Chu had gone upstairs. I turned out the light before going to bed. There was a clock in the shop. I noticed it was 10 o'clock before I

Where did the fire originate?—I think in Why !--There was only one lamp alit and

that was in the kitchen. Are there any rate in the house?-Yes: but I kept a cat. The lamp at the shrine on the ground floor has been knocked over by rats. The lamp in the kitchen was standing on a brick range. The floor of the kitchen is tiled, but the kitchen is partitloned off by wood. Peanut oil was need, I do not know where the kerosine was stored, When did you next see Lan Wel Chu?-I mot him in the street. I did not see him come out from the shop-deer. There is no exit by the roof. There is a verandah, and it is possible to climb over. Lau Buog Hau to be 25.6 per thousand per annum as and Ng Man Cha are in California. None of | compared with 8.8 last year, us attempted to put out the fire.

Did you try? -I looked up the stairway, and did not dare to go up. What is the value of your stock ?- There was \$1500 worth of goods. I last bought rice about the 16th April lest. The quantity is entered in the books, my cluthes are worth DOT THE

them staving with us.

not know where it was kept. We used peanut, Secretary reported that there had been a oil for two lamps and cooking purposes. The quarrel between two buchers, and he had first floor inside the kitchen. It consisted of , result of the quarrel. old beams and old boards from a cupboard I

thop three years ?-- Yes. Has it been insured the whole time?-Yes. I have the old policies. It was insured last year for \$2500 with I think, Messrs. Bradley and Co. I did not insure my own clothing and private boxes.

His Worship-His own \$20 or \$30 worth Mr Hastings-How much was it incured for on the pevious year?-For between \$200**0 and \$**3000.

Where is the policy ?- I took it back to Mesers. Bradley and Co. It had not expired, but was about to expire, I do not remember if it has expired now. Lau Wei Chu took back policy as soon as the shop was insured with Messrs Sander and Co. We frequently have Californian passengers stopping with us-from 10 to 20 at a time. They bring with them goods and effects to a considerable value. That is the reason why I took out a policy for clothes to \$1000.

By Mr Dennys—I do not know when the Messrs Bradley's policy will expire, whether it will expire on the 11 h May. do not know when I last saw the policy. Mosars Sander's policy is kept in Woo Yik Tai shop; I do not keep my books there, The Woo Yik Tai shop will be about ten or twenty shops to the west of the shop that was burned. I did not take the books there. The books were put in a net. On the night of the fire the books were not taken to the Woo Yik Tai shop. The constab e took me to the street at the back of S. Hanisch (owe 1 15) beat D. Wood | my shop. I came up to the Central Station and a foki carried the books along with me. Mesers Sander's policy is in the hands of the police. The constable went with Lau Wai Chu to the Woo Yik Taishop where took out the money between \$50 and \$60, copy. the total amount of cash in the shop that night. I bought one tin of kerosine on the 18th April. I always buy one tin at a time. I do not know the date I bought the last tin; it was last year some time. Last year's tin was finished. There were three kerosine lamps which were all supplied with oil from this tin. I do not know where the tin was bought; I sent one of the day labourers out to buy it. The cook took charge of the tin. I do not know what part of the house it was kept in. I do not know whether there was a kerosine tin on the mid dle of the ground floor. I do not know if there was a tin on the ground floor cackleft No more witnesses were called, and the enquiry was adjourned until Saturday nex

> His Worship having intimated that th five men found in the shop were at liberty to Inspector Witchell charged them with arson, and they were thereupon taken into Mr Hastings applied for bail, which was

The premises were afterwards visited by bean, Chairman of the Fire Iusurance Association of Hongkong, and Mr. J. A. Plummer, (of Mosses Bradley and Co.).

THE SANITARY BOARD. The usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. Works, presided. There were also present -Capt. H. B. Lethbridge, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police; Dr J. M. Atkinson, Acting Colonial Surgeon; Dr F.

W. Clark, Medical Officer of Health : Mr N. J. Eds. and Mr H. McCallum, Secretary. were read and confirmed.

BAD WELL WATER. The Government Analysi's reports on six samples of well water sent to him to be analysed were submitted. He reported that the water taken from the wells at 6 On | Mica Works. Ning Lane and 384 and 341 Queen's Road West, was unfit for potable purposes. The other samples taken from wells situated at l and 3 Sai On Laine were fit for potable purposes. A minute was attached by the Colonial Surgeon stating that the well in Sai On Lage should be condemned on account of its being only 8 ft. deep. which the water was tainted and the one

BASEMENTS. Further correspondence was read between | presend for. the Board and Measrs Leigh and Orange on the subject of converting basement floors into ground floors at Nos. 118 and 122 Hol-It was sureed to acknowledge receipt of

only 8 ft. deep.

COMPENSATION FOR A PARTITION. Lai So petitioned the Registrar General to compensate her for loss incurred by the removal of the partitions from nine rooms of her house at No 17 Square Street The partitions were torn down and burned by a Sanitary Inspector. She also petitioned to be allowed to reserve them. Dr Clarke reported the partitions were old and dirty, and stated she did not require permission from the Board to re-creet

'The President moved that the Colonia Secretary be informed that in the opinion of the Board no compensation ought to be Carried.

UHANDLERS' PETITION. A petition was read from fourteen chandof extraordinary kindness' they might be exempted from taking out licenses for the sale of articles of food on account of the ment might be made for consideration. small quantity of field which they sold. The Secretary, thought that as a matter of principle the petition should be refused.

The President moved that they be re-

Carried, MORTALITY RETURNS. The mortality statistics showed the death rate for the week ended 11th March, 1806 For the work ended 11th Match death-raid was 24.4 per thousand per annum against 19.2 in the corresponding

THE RESULT OF A QUARREL. Chan Po, a butcher at Yaumati, wrote praying for recompones of a sum of \$25, the pries of an ox which was lodged at the Gor

period last year,

\$1000?-Yes, I meant to include the clothes struck dead on the 7th inst. Mr W. due notice of the landing of cattle. of our Californian passengers when we have Fisher reported that on the morning of the 8th he examined the carcase and found it Have you any kerosine oil stored in the had been struck four blows on the head. An shop?-I do not know of any; I bought a entrance is supposed to have been effected in of kerosine oil some time ago, but I do by some one climbing over the wall. The firewood was stored in the back part of the every reason to believe that this was one

The President proposed that the correspondence be sent to the Colonial Secretary Mr Hastings-You have been keeping this and state it had been circulated to members. Carried.

> PLAGUE AT CANTON. The following letter was read :-

H.B.M. Consulate. Canton, 20 April, 1896. Sir,-Referring to previous correspondence. I have the honour to report that the bubonic plague rages even more violently than at date of last report, throughout the city and suburbs of Canton.

An out-patient hospital has been opened at the Temple of Longevity and prepara- lost heavily. tions have been made to receive plague patients sent up by the Tung Wah Hospital on board four boats moored below the southern barrier.

The native press remarks on the strong objection raised amongst the Chinese by what they think the inquisitorial proceedings of the sanitary officers in Hongkong, friendly tone, but says that President many men in consequence sending their families out of the Colony, and on their rooted projudice against being treated by European doctors. I have the honour to be, Sir, Your

obedient servant. E. H. FHASER. Acting Consul.

The Honourable The Colonial Secretary. Hongkong.

SEQUEL TO THE MILE PROSECUTION. Inspector W. Fisher wrote calling the attention of the Secretary to the evidence he had observed in the papers on the 2nd inst, which had been given by a witness at the Police Court that six cows were landed at the Mica Works on the 11th March and ten more animals landed at the same place some time before belonging to Mr J. he got the policy. I have just seen the Kennedy. He had received no notice of policy once; Lau Wai Chu has had posses- these animals being landed, which was a sion of both policies. The money is kept distinct breach of the bye-laws. The Secrein a clest in the shop which is kept locked. | tary wrote Mr Kennedy stating that he had I unlocked it on the night of the fire and contravened the byc-law and enclosing a

The following reply was received from

Horse Repository, Hongkoug, 6th April, 1896. Sir,-In roply to your letter of this date in reference to the landing of cattle at the Mica Works Pier, I have the bonour to bring to your notice, for the information of the Sanitary Board the extreme and altogether needless inconvenience imposed apon me by the requirements of the Bye-Law No I referred to in your letter. With special reference to the cartle in question, I have no hesitation in declaring my conviction that the landing of these at the Wharf and Godown Company's Pier would have of the sum. been an absolute impossibility. There were several of them in a very wild state, requiring very repressive measures indeed to obtain adequate control of them. One had to be tied head and foot, and carried; another had to be bound and dragged after a four-wheeled wagon before she would walk. To land such cows as these on a crowded wharf, from which these semi-wild cattle would have had to be driven through crowded streets would have been, in my opinion, an act of ariminal madness. Whatthe Magistrate, accompanied by Mr Dennys, ever advantages it is intended to secure, or law No. 1 is hoped to secure, these advantages, and an equal degree of protec. competition against British Trade in this tion could, I submit, be gained by extend- Colony. ing the byc-law so as to include the Mica Works Pier and the Pier at Causeway Bay behind my premises, and I therefore re-

tion of the Board to that extension of the Bye-law in question. I would further point out that I have equired my promises at Causeway Bay since these Byo-laws were made in 1887, when the necessity of a pier at which cattle could be landed east of the Whatf and Godown Oo.'s pier was not so greatly felt as it now is; and in view of the positive danger to the public which almost certainly would result were cows in a similar condition to those I have alluded to The minutes of the previous meeting landed on a thronged wherf and exposed to the noise and shouting of hundreds of and excited Chinese, I trust the Board may concur in the desirability of having another pier included in the Bye-law so well adapted in every way, both for landing cattle and

for segregating purposes, as that at the The Secretary wrote-Mr Kennedy expresses no regret at having broken the law. On the contrary he rails at the law for not The Priory, Boulian Road, 40. High Street being convenient for him. However, as alar action of such British manufacturers the tone of the letter is, to my mind, entirely due to ignorance, I do not think it from contracts given out by the British is worth while presecuting the man. How. Government, ever. I do recommend that he be informed that should be again import any animals It was resolved to close three wells from and land them at any unauthorised place without permission, or fail to report such landing and thus allow of the necessary inspection being made, that a prosecution will be instituted and the full penalty

The President - The Board must be informed when cattle are to be landed to admit of proper inspection. Please circulate. The following minutes were appended:--

The Secretary - In prosecuting Mr Konnety for selling adulterated milk it came ont in the evidence for the defence that Mr Kennedy had during the month of March imported some 17 head of cattle and landed them at or near the Mica Works on the Shaukiwan Road. As a matter of of fice routine I asked Mr Fisher if he had inspected these animals on being imported, subject they should collaborate. This is He answered that he had no knowledge of all the more necessary when the gramme any such animals being landed and I refer- tical and literary standard of men is a low red him to the report of the proceedings in oue. Yet that is not the lowest point the Court which appeared in the Daily about either 'Fairplay' or 'Charity. Press and told him it was his duty to report | Abuse of an opponent argues a lack of this breach of the law re the importation of fairplay and a total absence of charity. cattle at once. I attach his report and also Plain statements of facts are not necessaa draft of a lotter to Mr Kennedy, asking rily miserable scribbling, neither is a desire him if he has any explanation to offer for his to saddle a man with the support of his contravention of Bye-law 1 of the Cattle grandfather, pa and malia-law, maternal Diseases Bye-laws, made under Ordinance | uncles, &c., an instance of contemptible

amending the Bye-laws as suggested by the may be nearer the contemptible order of Medical Officer of Health a draft amend- things. Apart from painfully labored ef-The Health Officer-The bye-law in ques- to mause in these two scintillations of the tion appears to contain no provision for the would be pathetically virtuous emayists. compulsory reporting of such importation For lustance, we may look for a literary of oattle or sheep, although Bye-law 3 im- revolution little short of chaos. Did Couer quested to apply in the usual manner for plies that this was the real intention. This intend his parting that at his dear friend is the most important point, and not the Brutus to go down to posterity among lucality of the landing stage. I have no | venoment ulterances | The involuntary use objection to the addition of the following of words of dubious meaning is discouraged words in Byo-law I for such other place as in polite acciety, and whilst prepared to Barometer the Board may from time to time decide | admit that 'Fairplay' could not help it in to follow the word Yaumsti. The Bourd this case, I am sure he will see the want should, moreover, further amend Bye-law of teste (and scholarship) involved. Swear-1 by the addition of the following clause, ing is profess; even in Volupuk. Partial And not less than twenty-four hours ludgments not being a strong point with notice of intention to land such cattle or me, I can only opine that the disordered sheep must be given in writing by the ewner | condition of the Fairplay mental accommoor consigned to the Secretary of the Board. dation prevented P. J.'s finding a place. Police-I egree with Mr Edo.

An amended byelaw was submitted to being influenced by surroundings, He admit of the cathle bolog landed at racious count cortainly to take an the gudgeland

And yet you had your clothes insured for verament Cow-shed there, and was found wharves, and make it compulsory to give dictionary and a wet towel in his case-

CASE OF SMARLTOX. It was stated that on the arrival of the Thales on the 21st a case of smallpox was

CLEANSING. Dr Clark reported that the number nouses whitewashed during the past fort night was 1834, comprising 4735 floors. In addition to that gangs of inspectors and soldiers visited practically every house in the Colony with a view to searching for sick persons and dead bod es.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[TUPPLIED TO THE ' CHINA MAIL.']

London, April 21, 1896. FIGHTING IN MATABELELAND. Several sharp ekirmishes have taken place close to Buluwayo, in which the Matabeles

PRESIDENT KRUGER'S VISIT TO ENGLAND.

The Executive Council of Pretoria has replied to Mr Chamberlain's despatch in a K uger canuot ask the permission of the Volksraad to go to England until the basis of discussion is settled.

ITALY AND ABYSSINIA. The peace negotiations between King Menelik and General Baldissera are broken

OBITUARY.

M. Leon Say. Baron Hirach.

SUPREME COURT.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. (Before His Honour W. M. Goodman Acting Chief Justice). Wednesday, April 22.

TSO TSZ KI V. U LAI WOON. The plaintiff sought to recover \$16,600 being money leut and interest thereon Mr J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr Mounsey) appeared for the plaintiff, and Hon. Ho Kai (instructed by Mr Ho Wyson) appreared for the defendant.

Mr Francis explained the claim was made up of \$10,000 lent and interest \$6,600. The plaintiff was a gentleman and resided on the first floor of 8 East Street, Hongkong, and defendant was a gentleman residing at 20 Praya Central. The money was lent to Wong Talk Hing, and defend aut and Lo King Chee jointly and each of them guaranteed in writing the repayment

After Mr Francis detailed the facts of the case witnesses for the defence were called. The hearing of the case was adourned till Friday,

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH TRADE AND GERMAN AGENCIES.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, April 22, 1896. is at present enquiring into the force of the

I trust the Commission will not consider it outside its province to enquire into the cause of so many British Manufacturers spectfully solicit the favourable considera-Stoomship Owners, &c., entrusting their Agency to German firms in a British Oslony. Is it that there are not enough Speaking quite without knowledge we may British firms here, or that they are incompetent, or what is it? Do the German firms work cheaper and is this the cause of the British manufacturer giving the go-by to British firms? It would be most inter-

> esting to get at the reasons. Advertisements of German firms claiming to be Sole Agents for British manufacturers must be familiar to all here. It means that the British manufacturer will not sell his goods to, or through, a British firm, The latest incident of this nature is the announcement that the contract for a Mint establishment has been given to a firm in Shanghai of an unmistakeable German complexion as Agents for an equally unmistakeable British firm in Birmingham.

> Lopine that the profits from such agencies ere distributed in the Fatherland rather than the Homeland, and I think attention should be called prominently to the pecuand that they should be at least excluded

As a correspondent to your morning by the Colony. -Singapore Free Press. contemporary remarks: 'Altruism is Humbuz.' and when the struggle becomes keen as it admittedly has become, it is foolish to give points to the adversary, I do not observe indications of British firms having the agency of German manulacturers. The latter, apparently, are no

so diagnatingly altruistic. Fair play is a jewel, but self-preservation is the first law of Your Obedient Servant, NATURE,

CHARITY RUN MAD. To the Editor of the 'OHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, April 23, 1896.

Sin,-When two men write on ohe

narrow-mindedness. Whether an appeal Mr N. J. Ede-I concur in the suggest on behalf of Roman Catholio destilers in Quarry Bay praying that 'as an not | tien made by the Secretary, and as to | tutes only is narrow-minded or otherwise forts to be ultra-Johnsonian there is much The Acting Captain Superintendent of I quite ass how he not the shade and colour idea. He could not help the mind

and cudged sense ought of the seven or eight lined remark about the kindred institutitions of that nation, What nation? 'Charitas,' too, is not of that nation or he would see the huge joke underlying his references to liberalism and philanthropy and the general community. Not even the Grand Old Man (Heaven receive him-but not yet awhile) would have dared to pair Liberalism with philanthropy. Of course 'Charitas' meant liberality, but a man who writes down fair criticisms as infamous designs, could never find liberality, even in a dictionary. His unconscious description of himself in the term the irresponsible scribbler ' is apt and evident. Horrowing an indirect opening address from 'Fairplay,' (or did ' Fairplay ' borrow from ' Charitas') he flounders at once in the slough of 'The Handbook of Familiar Quotations.' Then he yearns to demonstrate that the community is anxious to assume the burden of maintenance of those whose destitution arises from fack of filial duty rather than age and infirmity. Finally, he starts to say the asylum is not to be exclusive, yet. ends by stating that it is Roman Catholic. If so, let the wealthy Roman Catholic Procurations, &c., sell all that they have and give to the poor .- Yours, . TAITY ASH

THE DEFENCE OF SINGAPORE. ABOLISHING THE ASIATIC ARTILLERY.

There is a peculiar feature about the Army

Singapore, April 14.

Estimates for 1896-07, closely affecting the Singapore garrison, which seems to have escaped attention. This amounts to nothing less than the abolition of a component part of the present garrison, the Asiatic Artillery, of which there is one company here. The step is, we think, a significant one. For it does not imply the reduction of the garrison to that extent, but such a substitution as will raise the value of the personnel. It is not for us to say what may be the worth as a fighting unit of the Asiatio Company, We are convinced that every care has been taken with the artillery training of the Pathans who compose the bulk of that corps. The broad fact remains that while the four companies Asiatic Artillery at Hongkong are to stand, that company stationed at Singapore is to be reduced, that is to say, abolished, A consideration of this fact might be construed to the detriment of the local company as compared with the Hongkong companies. But that conclusion would be wrong, there is good ground for saying. The truth appears to be this, that the artillery defence of Singapore is deemed by the Defence Committee at Home, or the War Office. or whatever the special authority may be that is responsible for the decision, to be a matter of such importance that it is now determined to add to the strength of the European Artillery here, and to that end the Asiatic Artillery are to be abolished. Last year the Army Estimates provided for 'Two batteries of Garrison Artillery, 271 men' with one local company of a Asiatio Artillery. For 1896-97 the Estimates show "Two Companies of Garrison Artillery, 831 men.' And it is further stated that last year there was a company of Asiatio Artillery at Singapore; 'this year there is no such provision. Strictly speaking the Singapore Company is abolished from the 31st ult, and yet here they are still, on the hands of the Home Government: while our European artillery establishment stands to be raised by 60 men, that is a halfcompany, the surplus strength not being a separate unit but simply absorbed in the present system of organisation into two European companies. The total strength Weter from religion or in the Jake 1 and the as nearly as possible the difference in strength between the reduced company of 130 Aciatic Artillery and the added half-company of European artillery. In losing 63 men how. ever the substitution means an increased cost to the Home Government, because 60 Europeans coat more than 120 Asiatics. The point now is what becomes of the Asiatic Artillery. hazard a guess. We think it not impossible that this company of Asiatic Artillery may be transferred to the Malay Federation as a nucleus of the Artillery arm of the new Imperial Service force, the small Artillery unit of the 1st Perak Sikha also counting in towards this. If 60 of these Asiatio Artillery were retained in the Native States for general duty and 60 kept in Singapore for garrison artiflery training, the men being changed at stated intervale, there would be the advagtage of the artillery gardson of Singapore remaining at the same figure as before, with the benefit of a substitution of 60 Royal Artillery for 60 Asiatle Artillery, and the addition of a Garrison Artillery in the Malay Federation of 60 men, as a reserve to Singanore in case of active service. This plan would, as can be seen, imply a distinct gain to the defensive resources of this place so far as artillery is concerned. And it will be noted that whatever becomes of the Asiatio Artillary the change is one that means a certain increase of cost to the Home Government on no increase of military contribution

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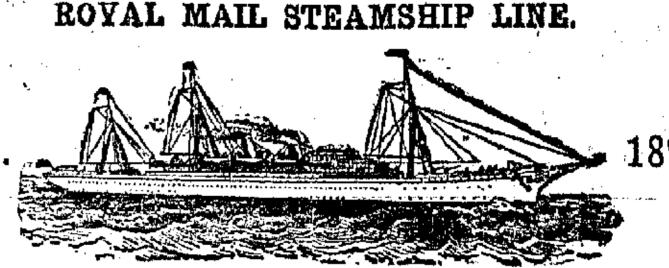
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General Agents for Thina & Japan &

LAUTS, WEGENER & Co. Hongkong, March 20, 1896.

Merchant Vessels in Honghong Marbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

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7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings. 8. From Blue Buildings to East Point. 9. From Kellett's Island to North Point. 10. Kowloon Wharves.

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Her Britannie Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

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E olus	twin-scrow ornisor 2nd class	3600	21	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Singapore
Alacrity	despatch-v-tore	1700	12	_0189	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Amoy
Archer	ergiser 3rd class	1770	16	2200	Comd. C. E. Kingsmill	K'loon Dock
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Daphne	goog	1140	16	1400	Commander A. C. Gailoway	. Shanghai
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innet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	1050	Commander R. U Sparkes	Tientsin
Varcissus	armoured cruiser	6 00	34	8,600	Captain H. B. Lang	Когеа
Peacock	gunbost let class	700	1'	1200	Lieut, Com. H. J. D. Laxton	Singapore
lgay	gunboat 1st class	75.5	tri	12040	Lieut. Com. Henry Adair	Hongkong
Pique	orniser	3600	21	7000	Capt. Heary O. Bigge	Yokohama.
Nover	gundost let class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Hongkong
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Rainbow	cruiser	3600	, 21	7000	Captain Wm. O. C. Forsyth	Ohemulpo
Rattler	gonboat Lat class	710	10	Like)	LieutCom. Hugh Cotesworth	Newchwang
Redpole	gonboat 1st class	805	10	1200	Lieut,-Com. E. H. Grafton	Amoy
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-Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	4950	32	6000	Captain Eltchaninoff	Nagasaki
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian dagship	7781	32	9500	Captain Kasheririnoff	#10E0SuPT
Albatros	Austrian gunboat	650	5		Achegic Monthly Mon	en route
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Alger	German craiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	
Arcona	French gunboat	175	4	450	Commander Journet	Nagaoaki Paradaala
Aspic		6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Bangkok
Bayard	French flagship	1350	14	1000	Captain Ternet	Nagasaki Valasta
Beautemps-Beaupré	French wooden sloop	462	5	400		Yokohama
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	950	13	1150	Lt. Pedro de Azevedo Continho	Timor
Bobre	Russian sloop	-	8	1	Captain Enkvisky	Fusan
Boston	U. S. craiser	3000	_	4400	Captain F. Wildes	Nagasaki .
Qastilla .	Spanish cruiser	3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Saulula	Manila
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	4040	22	6686	Capt. Coffin	Nagasaki
Comète –	French gunboat	495	4	500	Capt. Maudet	Shanghai
Detroit _	-U. S. cruiser	2000	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newel	
Dimitri Donakoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoffe	Singaporo
Don Antonio de Ullos	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	4-00	Capt. Duelo	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonaure	Manila
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	2535	19	4800	Captain Bayle	Saigon
Forfait	French oruiser	2350	23	2750	Captain Delort	Shanghai
Galdamak	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500		Koba
General Alava	Spanish gon-vessel	1200	· • —		Capt. RamonRochiquet Freijillo	Manila
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12 ;	1330	Capt. Bouchanoff	Nagasaki
Litis	German gunboat	490	4	349,	Capt. Lieut. Braun	Shaughai
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian ironolad	8800	32	8000	Capt. Foelkersham	Nagasaki
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Capt. von Dresky	Nagasaki
Iely	French cruiser	4380	22	8000	Captain Rivet	Nagusaki
Kaiser	German flagship	7077	16		Osptain Jaeschke	Nagasaki
Korejota	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Nagasaki
Kormoran	German oruizer	1640	8	2800	Captain Brinkmann	Nagasaki
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	18	1200	Capt. Beklemisheff	
Lion	brench gunboat	500	6	500	Licutariant Gauchet	Nagasaki Saigon
Latin	French gambout	490	4	600	LieutCom. Gueydon	Saigen
Machias	U. S. oruiser	1050	16	1600	Commander Houston	Saigon No-seed
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Captain Vimigra	Nagasaki
Mandahur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400		Manila Nama
	U, S, sloop	1970	8	850	Commander Podiapolak	Nogasaki
Monnogov	U. S. flagship	5800			Com. Releinger	Tientsin
Olympia	Dundan conhect	1490	14	19,500	Captain J. J. Read	Woosung
Otvainy	Russian gunboat	6060	12	2000	Quptain Baraht	Fusan
Pamlat Asova	Russian orulaer		83	8000	Captain Redionoff	Negasaki
Pluvier	Ereach gunbost	645	. 8	450	Lieut, Commander Videl	Bangkok
Princess Wilhelm	German orulser	4400	22	8000	Captain von Holtzendorff	Amoy
Roine Cristine	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Com'der Jose Warlota	, Manile
Rorlk	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,930	48	19,800	Captain Kreeger —	Singapore
Bilatob	Ru sian gunboat		,	-	Captain Barranoff	Vladivostock
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Boylste	G rman pruiser	2100	14	2100	Captain Herbing.	Nauking
2 riomphante	French cruiser	4600		24/0		Salgon
Vipore	French gunboat	480	4	425	Commander Constolla	Bangkok
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Abliaka	Russian cruiter	1230	19	1470	Captain Debadeff	Lokohoma

BHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES & SIAM

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AMOY. in port on April 18, 1896. MERCHANT STEAMERS.

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NAGASAKI, In Port on April 9, 1896, MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS. Kozaki Maru Japan, bari

KOBE, In port on March 31, 1896. Brit. st. Brambletye Brit. at-yat. Catarina Emile Rus. sib. Henry Failing Amer. sh. MaryL. Cushing Am. Queen Elizabeth Brit. sl. State of Maine Amer. ch.

YOROHAMA. In port on March 30, 1898.

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MANILA. In Port on March 31, 1898.

MERCHANT STEAMERS AND SATISTING VESSRIB. str. Marceilles Elongo Span. str. Singapore Esmeralda str. Hongkong Gulf of Taranto Brit. str. discharging Haddon Hall Brit, bge. United R'dom Henry Failing Amer. sh. New York Brit. bge U.K. v. Cebu str. Hougkong Brit. Invertag Isla de Panay Span. str. L'pool v. Spain Brit, bge, Atlantic, U.S. Linwood Brit. boa Atlantio, U.S. Low Wood Maryl. Cushing Amer. sh. Boston Brit, str. Iloilo R. D. Rice Amer. ch. D'ware B'water Belt, str. discharging White Cross Yorihimo Maru Japon, str. discharging

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RAUB. The Mining Manager's report, for the four weeks ending the 9th instant, runs as fol-

lowa: — Raub Hole No. 2 Shaft.—The main drive going south at 220 feet is in 140 feet from the crossout. There is no change to report either in the ground or the lode which is a mero formation, 2 to 3 inches wide. I do not expect to cut the main ore chute until this drive is in another 120 feet. The Intermediate Drive going south on the lode is in 30 feet. The lode is about 6" wide in the bottom and 8" wide in the top of the drive. Gold can be seen in the quartz, showing that we are coming into the main ore chute. This is 38 feet below the 120 feet level, and proves that the ore chute is going down, On the north side of the winze, I have opened out at the bottom of the ore chute 27 feet down, and am stoping up from here. The lude is from 6" to 15" wide and shows fair gold. The draw-lift, used in sinking the shaft from 128 to 220 feet, has been taken out of the shaft, and the main steam pump placed at the 220 feet level and is

working well Bukit Koman. - Work is going on as usual | 794 in this section, which still continues to supply the bulk of the crushing stuff to the mill. The main drives, both north and south, continue to look very well, and good progress is being made in driving both ends. In the main drive going north the lode is fully 16 feet wide, the whole of which is being sent to the mill for crushing. This face still makes a lot of water, and, as it is now under the swamp, I expect it will continue to do so. The lode in the main drive going south is not so large as it was a few weeks back, but is much better defined and shows very taingold in breaking the stone. The ground alongside is much better, and good progress is being very neat in appearance. made in extending this level. During the month under review these drives have been extended between 60 and 70 feet; adding fully 6,000 tons of ore to the reserves. In the stopes work is not being pushed on, for there is no necessity to do so; the two drives supplying the bulk of the crushing stuff. The chamber for the new balance post at the 140 feet level is now almost finished, and the work of fixing the new 10" pump at the 250 feet level will be proceeded with at once. As soon as this pump is placed into position the work of extending the 250 feet prosecut will be proceeded with. I have had to stop the driving of this until the new steam pump is fixed, as I was afraid of being awamped as the water began to come very strong from the crevices in the ground showing that there was a heavy pressure behind. I expect to have a heavy rush of water as soon as the

lode is out. Bukit Malacca. - The new pumping gear for this shaft was finished and started work on Monday, the 6th inst. The pump is an ordinary 8" draw lift working on a 3 feet stroke, and worked by one of Messis. Jos. Evans & Son's 12 x 24 steam cylinders. water had risen to the level of the swamp a: d 9 ft. below the collar of the shaft. The pump was started at 11 a.m. and the water torked by 10 a.m. the next day, the pump making an average of 35 strokes per minute. The work of sinking was resumed as soon as the water was out, and has proceeded steadily since. The shaft is now down 73 feet and is making a good deal of water; the pump requiring to go 23 strokes per minute to keep out the coming water. The ground continues very favourable for sinking, and if the water does not become too heavy, it will not take us long to sink the required depth of 150 feet

before opening out. Weslern Lode.—There is no change to report from here, if anything the stopes are looking better than they have done for some time. The lode still continues to extend south, and shows very good gold. It is hard to say how far it may extend in this direct donkey; no more are you. I was wrong tion, as it is all new untried ground. We to call you so. Besides, the donkey is have out the lode in the air shaft sunk to ventilate the south workings. It is about 12

inches wide and shows fair gold. Brittery.—This has been kept steadily at work since the date of my last report. the 6th inst., a rough clean up took place, 1,477 yielded 1,750 ozs. amalgam, crushing was resumed the same afterenoon, and has continued since.

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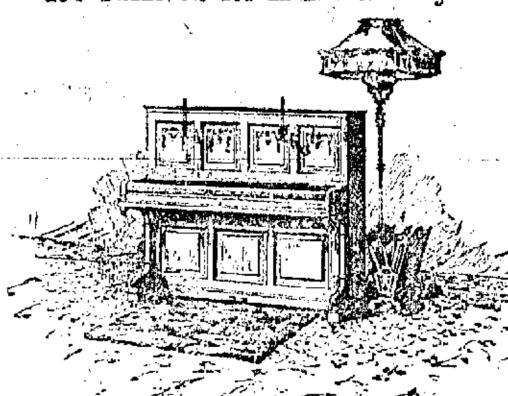
Shah of Persis is said to possess the largest boy of ten say to a young schoolfellow. treasure in jewels and gold ornaments, it | You know Brown? Well, I have heard being valued at £12,000,000. The chief to-day that his father keeps a store! object of value is the old crown of Persian This seemed to take away the breath of rulers, in the form of a pot of flowers, the other little boy; he was staggered, which is surmounted by an uncut ruby the and grow pale with amazement. You enes of a heurs ogg. The diamonds in an- don't say sol' he ejaculated. "I thought other symbol of his rank are said to weigh he was a gentleman. And the two young almost twenty pounds. There is also a society boys separated with a grave high jewelled sabre valued at £ 120,000. Another | hand-shake. thing that the Shah prizes is a silver vase ornament with 100 emeralds, whose equals, it is said, are not to be found in the world. In the collection there is a cube of amber which tradition says fell from heaven in the days of Mahomet, and ensures the possessor against bodily harm,

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NEITHER OF THEM DONKEYS. In an article on the humours of French examinations the Gaulois tells a characteristic story of the famous savant Ampère, renowned for his eccentricities in the lecture-room and elsewhere. Once at a vira voce in Euclid he lost his temper with a candidate who was bungling over a demonstration, and called him a donkey 'Donkey yourself!' retorted the examinee, who was of a flery temper. 'That is possible,' replied Ampère, 'but I don't think so. Begin again, please, and you will admit that your demonstration is wrong. The candidate complied, and was obliged to acquiesco. 'My dear boy,' Ampère then observed, 'you see that I am not a faithful, steady, patient, and hardworking. In calling each other 'donkey,' therefore, we perhaps did the donkey and not ourselves an injustice.' It was Ampère, we may add, who invented a calculus of pro-

astrous results. CASTE IN ENGLAND.

babilities, and sought to carry it into effect

at the gambling-tables, but with dis-

Max O'Rell tells some curious stories of Peculiar Children' in this month's Strand Magazine. The writer was for eight years a master of St. Paul's School, and he calls from his experiences there. It is, he says, something worth hearing, that swaggering of little English boys about their social standing. First the young heirs to titles, then the sons of the gentry, the sons of professional mon, the sons of merchants, the sons of clerks, all these are sets perfcotly distinct. 'I say, what do you think Of all the severeigns of the world, the I have heard?' I once overheard a little

KEEP YOUR HAIR ON.

Max O'Rell passes one boy 5 who had a bad headache last night,' and brought a letter from his mother to that effect; the Miss E. Gardam one who did his exercise but lost; and the one 'who knew his lesson,' but could not Mr R. T. Gribble say it. 'One, however,' he adds, 'I can- Major & Mrs HanhamMr W. S. Sloan not pass over is that ingenious boy who, Mr C. Harris when he is not quite sure whether the Mr & Mrs M. HarrisMrs J. T. Smith plural of égal is egals or egaux, makes a blot Mr H. Harvey of the word's ending. But what is this boy Mr J. J. Hoar coronation in May next. It is says the compared to the one who, being asked for Mr Joseph Hogg Daily News correspondent, a spacious, com- the plural of egal, said "Two gals"? A Mr T. Howard modicusty arranged, and palatial two boy, reading from a play that was being Mr W. K. Hughes translated at eight in class, came across the Mr and Mrs AllanMr R. L. Thomas tage of some thirty large windows on the phrase, Calmez-vous, Monsieur. He natu-Bolahoi Tuerakoi, one of the leading tho. rally translated this by "Calm yourself, Mr A. N. Huke roughfares through which the grand proces. sir." I said to him, "Now, don't you think Capt, and Mrs Hunt Mr W. Whiley sion will pass in its circular process from this is a little stiff? Couldn't you give me Mr J. Jenkinson the Uspenski Sobor to the Imperial Palace something a little more collequial—for in-Mr Morton Jones in the Kremin. A somewhat amusing stance, what you would say yourself in a Mr R. S. Judah incident has occurred during the prepara. like case?" The boy reflected for a few Mr J. Kinghorn tion of the residence. The Russian stoward seconds, and said, " Keep your hair on, Mr W. Krumme

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Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article. The Post Office is net legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspon-4.-No Order must exceed £10 or \$50 (undence, but it is prepared to make good the one drawn on India, when 150 Ropers is the contents of such correspondence lost while limit),

Hongkong Rates of Postage. I passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain pases, provided :-1. That the sinder duly observed all the conditions of Rigistration required. 2. That the leter was securely enclosed in a reasonably trong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immedistoly the loss we discovered, and within a year at the mosifrom the date of Posting. 4. That the Fatmaster General is satis ied that the los occurred whilst the corres condence was in the custody of the British

Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by my fault on the part of the ender, by destriction by fire, or shipwreck nor by the dishquesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the dongkong Post Dilice.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere tamage to fragiliarticles such as portraits. watches, handrencly bound books, &c. which reach their destination, although in a broken or detedorated condition. Nor on account of allegel losses of the Contents of ment of delivery on paying an extra fee of Registered cover which have reached their destinations, for on account of any The limit of weight for Books and Com- article for whichthe addressee has signed a

> Missent or Melayed Correspondence. When correspondence has been missent or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionaly) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover. Sent to - or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and firward it, without any other writing wlitever, to the Postmaster General. This at on should be taken the tirst time cause of complaint occurs; it is a miatake to let sud: matters pass for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the ond.

1. Circulars, Dvidend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, Paterns, Bills, Almanacs, we., for addresses n Hongkong or the Ports of China, in bateles of not less than ten of uniform size and weight may be sent to the Post Office unstamped, the postage, at the rate of one out each, being paid in cash or charged o the sonder's account. pecial accounts pay be opened with nonbox holders for the delivery of considerable numbers of such aticles.

2. Such covers, when addressed to places other than Honglong or China, must be prepaid two cents ach in stamps as hereto-8. Circulars, &... must not exceed 2 ounces each in weight. Patterns, Almanaes,

&c., must be unders ounces each in weight Heavier articles wil be charged ordinary rates. 4. Envelopes containing Patterns, drc. may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Pork, Chop, Postmaster General as he may consider ne-

cessary, and approved by him. Printed circulars may be enclosed in pattern packets. 5. Addresses must be complete. That is to say, on such covers as are not ad. dressed to heads of houses the addressee's residence or place of business must be added. Incompletely addressed covers will be returned to the sender for address.

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[Office Hours (Sandrys and holidays excepted) 10 to 4, Saturdays 10 to 1, but the office (e) Between Hongkong, Couton, and Mucco, is open from 10 to 5 on the working day next before any mail for Idrope, which leaves at Money orders cannot be issued or cashed on mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe, 1. - Money Orders are issued at Hongkong

and Shanghai at current rates of exchange on the following Countries and places :-a.m. 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.; China Ports (Hoillow, Cauton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpe, Hankow, and Shanghai). Hawaii (Sandwich Islands).

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£ 7 .. 9d. £10 1s. 0d. | Halibut, 11 8.—The commission charged is as follows according to the currency the Order is drawn (a.) For sums not exceeding :- £1, 12 cts.; £2, 21 cts.; £3, 86 cts.; £4, 48 cts.; £5, 60 £2, 24 cts.; £3, 55 cts.; £2, 20 cts.; £0, 16 cts.; £0, Mackerol, (b) Up to \$10, or 20 rapses, 20 cts.; \$25, or 50 rapses, 40 cts.; \$85, or 70 rapses, 60 cts.: \$50, or 100 rapecs, 80 cts.; 150 rapees,

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